Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 15 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 16 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 14 Jan 2021 at 16:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Friday and Saturday. High for changeable conditions continuing into early next week but low confidence for daily detail at this stage.

Headline for Friday 15 Jan 2021: Dry, cold and bright. Some misty low cloud at lower elevations.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 15 Jan 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Fog	Fog	Fog	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Fog	Light snow
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	20%

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Weather: A few snow showers possible in the early hours. Daylight hours will be dry with some brightness although a lot of high cloud. Cold winds at height, summit gales developing late evening across the far west.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Some low cloud below 500 metres in the morning, this mostly lifting in the afternoon.

Visibility: Mostly very good, some freezing fog in the glens.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	16/19 S	12/14 S	10/13 S	13/16 S	17/22 S	24/29 SE	29/36 SE	39/49 SE	50/64 SE
900	10/12 SW	8/10 SW	8/10 S	10/13 S	13/17 S	17/21 SE	21/27 SE	27/37 SE	35/48 SE
600	14/17 S	11/13 S	9/12 S	8/11 S	10/13 S	14/18 S	19/25 SE	32/41 SE	45/57 SE
300	7/11 S	7/10 S	6/9 S	7/10 SE	8/12 SE	12/18 SE	12/22 SE	17/28 SE	26/41 SE
Glen	6/13 SW	5/10 SW	3/8 S	3/6 SE	3/7 SE	6/12 S	9/16 S	7/17 SW	18/37 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-10	-4/-9	-4/-10	-5/-11	-4/-12	-4/-13	-4/-14	-5/-16	-5/-17
900	-2/-6	-2/-6	-3/-7	-4/-9	-3/-9	-3/-10	-4/-12	-4/-12	-3/-12
600	1/-4	0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-4	1/-4	2/-3	2/-3	2/-5	2/-6
300	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-3	2/-5
Glen	3/1	3/1	3/1	2/1	3/1	3/1	3/-0	3/0	4/-2
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	600m	500m	500m	400m	400m	400m	400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Forecast for Saturday 16 Jan 2021

Weather: Summit southeasterly gales and widespread snow in the morning. This turning showery from the west in the by early afternoon, snow confined to above 1000 metres as the freezing level rises. Snow level falling back to 600 metres after dark

Maximum wind: Southeasterly gusts to 50 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance. Widespread cloud between 500 and 700 metres.

Visibility: Whiteout conditions expected in snow, remaining poor in cloud cover.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 rising to 5 Celsius
At 800m: 0 to 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 400 metres, rising to 1200 metres in the afternoon, falling back to 800 metres after dark.

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